Soil and Water Resource Management Grants Program

This program allocates funding to the counties. The source of this funding is from the Legislature. The funding can be used by the LCC for two main purposes:

- Fund county land conservation staff and eligible support costs
- Provide cost-sharing to landowners to install conservation practices on the land

County Allocation Process

- 1. The LCC completes an annual grant application request from DATCP.
- 2. The grant applications submitted by all counties are used to develop an annual joint DATCP/DNR final grant allocation plan. The amount of the allocation varies from county to county. In general, each county may receive staff and support funding to pay 100% of one position, 70% of a second and 50% of a third position. The total amount provided for staffing is dependent on the amount available for this purpose. The amount allocated for cost-share varies each year.
- 3. The LCC signs an annual grant contract with DATCP. This contract requires the county to follow ATCP 50 and Ch. 92, Wis. Stats.

LCCs are required to follow ATCP 50 and Chapter 92 of the Wisconsin Statutes to receive a soil and water resource management grant allocation. Some of the requirements include the following:

- Have an approved Land and Water Resource Management Plan
- Submit a grant application request by April 15
- Meet maintenance of effort requirement
- Sign the grant contract
- Submit reimbursement requests and meet the match requirement by February 15

Maintenance of Effort Requirement

It is important for each county to maintain their required maintenance of effort (MOE) annually as per Ch. 92.14(7), Wis. Stats. In 1988 the department collected a report of LCD personnel county expenditures from each county for the preceding two years of 1985 and 1986. The average of these two years determined a county's MOE. The LCC is required at a minimum to maintain or increase its aggregate "county levy" expenditures at or above this amount. A table of these requirements can be found on the back of this page.

Statutory References

Wis. Stats. 92.06 – 92.10, 92.14

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County Maintenance of Effort Requirements

COUNTY	MOE AMOUNTS 92.14 (7)		COUNTY	MOE AMOUNTS 92.14 (7)
Adams	\$13,784		Marathon	\$51,328
Ashland	\$278	7	Marinette	\$43,154
Barron	\$45,442		Marquette	\$5,675
Bayfield	\$338		Menominee	\$0
Brown	\$22,792	7	Milwaukee	\$1,099
Buffalo	\$22,454	1	Monroe	\$29,645
Burnett	\$17,741		Oconto	\$28,286
Calumet	\$24,959	1	Onieda	\$5,075
Chippewa	\$34,186		Outagamie	\$56,235
Clark	\$18,345		Ozaukee	\$19,728
Columbia	\$42,763		Pepin	\$30,212
Crawford	\$18,078		Pierce	\$52,707
Dane	\$112,058		Polk	\$18,248
Dodge	\$22,814	7	Portage	\$29,657
Door	\$33,364		Price	\$29,054
Douglas	\$335		Racine	\$23,759
Dunn	\$83,756	j	Richland	\$32,938
Eau Claire	\$49,613		Rock	\$31,238
Florence	\$3,382	Ì	Rusk	\$24,920
Fond du Lac	\$30,846	ĺ	Saint Croix	\$27,572
Forest	\$1,890		Sauk	\$28,404
Grant	\$47,242	ĺ	Sawyer	\$1,802
Green	\$44,230	Ì	Shawano	\$12,371
Green Lake	\$23,579	ĺ	Sheboygan	\$54,674
Iowa	\$27,531	ĺ	Taylor	\$24,421
Iron	\$475	j	Trempealeau	\$54,486
Jackson	\$31,107		Vernon	\$30,378
Jefferson	\$12,935		Vilas	\$4,001
Juneau	\$21,914	7	Walworth	\$10,431
Kenosha	\$9,106	1	Washburn	\$6,119
Kewaunee	\$44,355		Washington	\$13,522
LaCrosse	\$28,570		Waukesha	\$26,762
Lafayette	\$47,283		Waupaca	\$18,187
Langlade	\$1,962		Waushara	\$11,065
Lincoln	\$19,127		Winnebago	\$68,030
Manitowoc	\$59,443		Wood	\$17,416